



## RULE MANAGEMENT GROUP

# THE VOLVO OPEN 70 RULE

### PUBLIC INTERPRETATION NO.23

*This public interpretation is given in accordance with rule 1.3 of the Volvo Open 70 Rule Version 2*

#### **Question:**

Rule 1.2.2. states that "can" and "may" are permissive.

Rule 6.1.4(h) states that "All spars may be constructed using syntactic core materials,..."

1. Are we correct in assuming that by the use of the word "may" only spars constructed using such a core of the characteristics, density and thickness specified in 6.1.4(h) are permitted; and by defacto non cored, i.e.: single skin, construction is not allowed for spars?

#### **Interpretation:**

1. No. The word "may" is permissive. As such spars may be constructed with or without core. However, if a core is used then it shall comply with the requirements of rule 6.1.4(h).

END

Signed on behalf of the Volvo Open 70 Rule Management Group

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James Dadd". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "D".

James Dadd, Chief Measurer  
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